

Barton Offers Early Childhood Education online!

Responding to the growing demand for qualified child care providers and educators in Kansas and across the country, Barton Community College is offering a wide variety of courses (hybrid, summer, and short-term) in Early Childhood Education on the **Barton County campus, online**, or through Barton's program in conjunction with **NCKTC at Hays**.

The Early Childhood courses will be a combination of lecture and "hands-on" learning with the development of a variety of themed units, projects and materials. These courses will help students prepare for their career field and placement in Early Childhood classrooms.

The online Early Childhood program is near completion with a deadline to be 100% by January 2011. Ten foundational courses are currently available and ready for students. We offer a combination of 9 or 18 week sessions, as well as, summer sessions to fit your schedule. All online instructors have a Master's Degree in Early Childhood or related field of expertise. Please take a look at the following webpage for degree plans and semester templates.

<http://www.bartonccc.edu/instruction/programs/earlychildhood.html>

At Barton, you may choose from an AAS degree in Early Childhood or an AS degree planning to transfer on to a 4 year university. Barton has **2+2** agreements with **FHSU and K-State** which would enable you to receive an Early Childhood Unified degree.

Barton's Early Childhood Education program is offering a **new scholarship opportunity** for students through the Early Childhood Associate Apprenticeship Program (ECAAP). This program utilizes registered apprenticeship in order for students to earn their **CDA** and help early care and education providers create high-quality learning environments for young Kansans.

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